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SUBJECT: GSP AND CASTOR OIL EXCLUSION

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1. TSUS NUMBERS 177.01 AND 176.02 EACH COVER BOTH CRUDE
AND REFINED CASTOR OIL, THE DIFFERENCE BEING VALUE PER
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POUND OF IMPORTED PRODUCT. THE US GSP IS DESIGNED ALMOST

ENTIRELY ON A 5-DIGIT TSUS BASIS WITH THE WAIVER OF THE QTE 50 PERCENT OF TOTAL US IMPORTS UNQTE LIMITATION APPLICABLE ON THE SAME BASIS. THUS, WITH REGARD TO ANY 5-DIGIT TSUS GSP ARTICLE, THE WAIVER APPLIES ONLY WHEN THE US DOES NOT PRODUCE ANY ITEMS LIKE OR DIRECTLY COMPETITIVE WITH ANY ITEMS WITHIN THE 5-DIGIT CATEGORY. THERE ARE NO US FIRMS PRODUCING CRUDE CASTOR OIL (I.E., EXPRESSING OR EXTRACTING CASTOR OIL FROM CASTOR BEANS). HOWEVER, SEVERAL US FIRMS ARE ENGAGED IN THE FURTHER REFINING (E.G., DEHYDRATING) OF CRUDE CASTOR OIL. ON THIS BASIS, THE 50 PERCENT WAIVER CANNOT APPLY TO TSUS NOS. 176.01 OR 176.02.

2. JANUARY-OCTOBER 1975 US IMPORT DATA SHOW THAT BRAZIL SUPPLIED US WITH ALL OUR IMPORTS OF TSUS 176.01 (117,722 DOLLARS), AND WITH ALMOST ALL OF OUR IMPORTS OF TSUS

176.02 (OVER 13 MILLION DOLLARS OUT OF 14.6 MILLION DOLLARS TOTAL). THUS, BARRING UNFORSEEN SURGE OF US IMPORTS THESE ITEMS FROM OTHER SOURCES IN LATE 1975, BRAZILIAN EXCLUSION LIKELY TO CONTINUE. OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, BRAZIL HAS SUPPLIED BETWEEN 77 AND 95 PERCENT OF US IMPORTS OF CASTOR OIL UNDER THE TWO TARIFF ITEMS. INDIA HAS BEEN THE ONLY OTHER MAJOR SUPPLIER, PROVIDING BETWEEN 5 AND 23 PERCENT OF US IMPORTS. KISSINGER

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